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## REPUBLICAN PRIMARY

**Passed Off Last Saturday  
With More Interest  
Than Any Elec-  
tion Ever Held  
in Knox  
County,**

**Sampson Led the Ticket by  
an Enormous Majority,  
While Some of the  
Races were Rather  
Close.**

**Lay and Parker Both Proved to be  
Good Runners in their Re-  
spective Races.**

For more than six months there has been a campaign waged in this county for the nomination for the various county offices to be filled next year. And from the beginning there has been more or less interest in many of the races.

The County Judge's race seemed to overshadow everything else on account of the prominence and strength of the various candidates who were before the people.

There were four men announced for that position, as follows: Judge J. S. Miller, as a candidate to succeed himself, ex-Judge T. J. Wyatt, who had twice before been elected to that position, was again seeking the honor; Rev. J. T. Stamper, who is well-known throughout the county as a Baptist preacher, and Flem D. Sampson, one of the leading attorneys of the bar, and who was defeated four years ago by a very few votes for this office.

From the beginning the contest was hot, and when the series of speakings begun every man began to measure up his strength. It soon became apparent that Mr. Sampson had the strongest following, and then it became necessary to resort to some plan by which his strength, if possible, might be overcome. An agreement was reached between Judge Miller and Judge Wyatt in which Wyatt was to withdraw from the race in the interest of Miller. This was done on Tuesday night before the election. Then the fight was between Miller and Sampson, and much interest was kept up until the polls were closed on Saturday afternoon.

The race for County Attorney between W. R. Lay and J. H. Catron was hotly contested, and while Lay carried every precinct in the county, yet his opponent put up a strong fight, and at times had Mr. Lay uneasy as to his chances.

In the race for Superintendent Mr. Parker seemed to have the advantage of his opponent, Mr. Hignite, who is now the Superintendent, and the vote shows the great inroads he made upon him throughout the county.

The Sheriff's race closed out just as everyone predicted, with D. H. Williams far in the lead, while Dozier and Early were both left far in the rear.

The County Clerk's race was a very hot and close one. Mr. Siler looked like a winner, and Judge Bain realizing that he would be defeated, quit the race and left Smith and McDonald to fight it out against Siler. It was several days before the result was known, and it was not fully determined whether Smith or Siler was the nominee until the official count was made.



**WILLIE McDONALD,**  
Who made such a gallant race for  
County Court Clerk.

The Jailer's race was about an equal to the Clerk's, as it re-



**DAN H. WILLIAMS,**  
Who received the nomination for  
Sheriff.



**R. W. COLE,** One of the leading Republicans of Barbourville.  
Also one of the Leading Merchants.  
Watch his Advertising space for Bargains every week.

quired the official count to determine whether Buchanan or Mitchell had won. The other candidates, Harbin and Parker, being distanced in their race.

The Assessor's race was rather interesting, but Hammons seemed to have the lead, and Rev. Mr. Allen followed in hearing distance, while Rev. Mr. Humfleet and Thomas C. Parrott got lost in the fog and have not been heard of since.



**M. G. HIGNITE,**  
Who was defeated for re-election  
for Superintendent of Public Schools.

The Surveyor and Coroner's races did not attract much attention, but it was generally conceded that Westerfield would be the surveyor, while everyone was equally as confident of the election of Hiram Yearly as coroner.

The contest reminded us more of the Breckinridge-Owens contest for congressional honors in 7th district ten years ago, than

anything we have ever witnessed.

While Knox county claims to be a local option county we feel sure, if all reports be true, that there was more whisky used here than we ever saw used anywhere before, even where they have open saloons, besides money was no item, but was used with a lavish hand.

It is a disgrace to the fair name of our county to think that the offices should be secured in such a manner. We hope that such a scene as that witnessed in this county will never be repeated again, but that the good people will see to it that men worthy of the offices are nominated and elected without the use of money and whisky hereafter.

### NOTES.

And the next day it snowed.

The candidates all believe now in the virtue of printer's ink.

Has anyone heard from Upper Stinking yet?

Some of the boys are wearing long faces since Saturday night.

Chris Smith feels better since the count was made.

Some of our Democratic friends make good workers in Republican primaries.

No fights occurred anywhere in the county, although there was plenty of "booze."

We regret that all the candi-

dates could not be elected, as they were all deserving of the office to which they aspired.

"Tip" Westerfield thinks his certificate saved him from defeat by being published in these columns.

W. R. Lay says that he feels good toward everybody in Knox county.

"Uncle" Hiram Yearly says it is all a joke, that he never had any opponent.



**REV. J. T. STAMPER,**  
One of the defeated candidates for  
County Judge.

Flem D. Sampson got scared six months ago and has not stopped running yet.

Garrett Hignite has not been seen since the cyclone struck here Saturday.

It is claimed that Judge Miller also ran.



**GEORGE E. BRETZ,**  
One who was defeated for Magis-  
trate in the First Magisterial Dis-  
trict.

Mr. Bretz says he will just go on cutting beef as in the past.

The weather was inclement, but the voters came out just the same.

Nathan Parker says he would cry if he was alone, but he has plenty of company in the same condition as himself.

Tom Parrott never has come to town to learn if he received any votes since the election.



**PROF. J. M. ROBISON,**  
A leading figure in local politics.  
He announced some time ago for  
the office of County Judge and later  
withdrew his name.

We lost part of our vote as some of the candidates were defeated but we believe the candidates are taking it harder than we are, the look like it at least.

Chris Harbin still wears the blue overalls and takes his defeat in a good humored manner.

Judge Wyatt stepped from under just before the crash came. He was lucky.

Willie McDonald says he is thankful that his votes were no less, but would like to of had more.

John Allen says he wanted to be Assessor, that was what he was running for, but George Hammons gets the job.

Baptist preachers make good runners as shown by the record of Revs. Humfleet and Stamper.

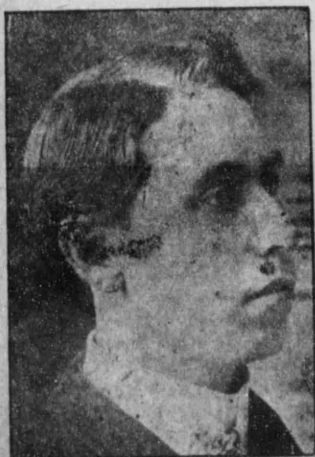
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**D. W. CLARK,**  
The Editor.

## Official Vote by Precincts of Republican Primary in Knox County Held November 12, 1904.

PRECINCT.	County Judge				Attorney		County Clerk			Sheriff			Jailer				Superint'nt		Assessor				Surveyor		Coroner.	
	Miller	Sampson	Stamper	Wyatt	Carson	Lay	McDonald	Siler	Smith	Early	Dozier	Williams	Mitchell	Buchanan	Harbin	Parker	Hignite	Parker	Allen	Hammons	Humfleet	Parrott	Rees	Westerfield	Nelson	Yearly
Court House.....	166	98	43	1	75	138	96	31	100	5	40	157	118	79	33	6	127	92	60	95	3	47	79	110	65	106
Stable .....	71	86	99	3	111	116	155	38	53	6	104	124	126	64	19	37	73	140	69	54	8	87	100	99	82	102
Tamany .....	76	87	24	1	88	90	55	58	58	3	38	119	70	75	16	12	60	112	88	35	15	21	70	77	67	73
Artemus.....	25	52	36		24	81	14	66	29	12	12	79	27	77	6	2	22	82	56	19	4	11	17	78	41	37
West Flat Lick..	33	134	18		57	114	31	19	118	91	10	48	97	53	7	34	124	23	101	7	9	54	63	25	54	
East Flat Lick..	11	130	4		53	74	9	11	107	84	2	31	98	32	4	6	29	107	7	107	2	6	30	68	13	56
Road Fork.....	39	102	16		39	105	7	11	138	10	10	104	42	43		2	72	86	5	130	2	2	45	64	9	2
Upper Stinking..	15	145	21		25	156	25	30	125	50	15	116	96	25	60	6	56	125	25	125	2	1	109	50	25	30
Girdler.....	56	120	61	1	71	123	45	16	176	9	15	159	74	60	92	6	148	80	17	167	2	17	86	80	29	83
Blacks.....	50	70	28		58	72	78	15	58	1	37	86	56	48	9	24	65	69	6	38	13	73	52	45	22	34
Grays.....	34	131	19	3	58	90	74	88	12	13	26	109	50	44	35	41	64	106	12	30	72	42	68	66	32	48
Corbin.....	24	71	5	3	26	64	20	76	2	14	11	60	50	29		7	6	83	30	21	17	3	32	23	25	9
North Jellico....	29	97	4		5	115	20	92	9	4	41	91	33	44	34	4	32	84	11	27	64	12	14	93	34	42
Wilton.....	42	99	25		29	120	31	118	11	4	16	113	73	56	17	13	50	99	39	61	34	6	68	59	37	44
Indian Creek.....	47	30	18		14	74	12	67	6	5	14	56	30	50	1	8	12	68	25	20	18	5	59	14	18	31
Poplar Creek....	25	113	62		32	163	41	111	40	5	95	68	30	160	13	4	24	171	130	12	13	12	82	69	93	65
Brush Creek.....	19	109	85		48	143	22	154	19	9	45	109	12	185	2	7	87	109	137	17	16	10	70	93	121	22
TOTAL.....	702	1,674	568	12	803	1,838	735	1,001	1,061	325	501	1,629	1,082	1,124	341	186	961	1,737	740	1,059	290	364	1,035	1,151	738	838
PLURALITY		972				1,025		80			1,128	42				776	319					116			100	



**One of the Lucky Ones**  
**W. R. LAY,**  
Nominee for County Attorney.